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Claims:

Please amend the claims according to the status designations in the following list, which contains all claims that were ever in the application, with the text of all active claims.

1. (ORIGINAL) A paint application apparatus for applying paint on a surface and up to an edge of the surface without applying paint on an adjacent surface extending from the edge, comprising:
 - a handle having a longitudinal axis;
 - at least one roller applicator for rolling on and applying paint to the surface;
 - a substantially rigid platform rotatably attached to said handle by means of a joint which pivotally secures said handle to said platform allowing at least two degrees of freedom and said platform also including a roller arm that is operably attached to said roller applicator such that said roller applicator is at an angle substantially orthogonal to said roller arm and substantially coplanar with said platform;
 - a shield operably attached to said platform and positioned for moving along the adjacent surface to position said roller applicator on the surface a predetermined distance from the adjacent surface;
 - and a paintbrush attached to said paint application apparatus for applying paint on the surface up to the edge without applying paint to the adjacent surface, wherein said paintbrush is positioned to partially redistribute the paint previously applied by said roller applicator closer to the surface edge.
2. (ORIGINAL) The paint application apparatus of claim 1, wherein said paintbrush is removably attached to said paint application apparatus.
3. (ORIGINAL) The paint application apparatus of claim 2, wherein said paintbrush is attached to said paint application apparatus to engage with the surface at a non-orthogonal angle.
4. (ORIGINAL) The paint application apparatus of claim 3, wherein said paintbrush comprises a cam adjustment means.

5. (ORIGINAL) The paint application apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a locking tab for releasably locking said handle to said platform and selectively preventing rotation therebetween.
6. (ORIGINAL) The paint application apparatus of claim 1, wherein said shield includes one or more projections for sliding along the adjacent surface.
7. (ORIGINAL) The paint application apparatus of claim 1, wherein said shield includes one or more wheels for rolling along the adjacent surface.
8. (ORIGINAL) The paint application apparatus of claim 1, wherein said platform includes one or more wheels for rolling along the surface to be painted.

9.-15. (CANCELLED)

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A paint application apparatus for applying paint on a surface and up to an edge of the surface without applying paint on an adjacent surface extending from the edge, comprising:

a handle;

at least one roller applicator for rolling on and applying paint to the surface;

a substantially rigid and planar platform, said platform having an upper surface and first and second opposite sides, fixedly attached to said handle being fixedly attached to the upper surface of the platform between the first and second sides thereof such that said platform and said handle are held in fixed position relative to the surface during a paint application operation and said platform also including a roller arm adjacent one of the sides of the platform that is operably attached to said roller applicator such that said roller applicator is at an angle substantially orthogonal to said roller arm and substantially coplanar with said platform, said platform further extending along substantially the entire length of the roller applicator between the opposite sides thereof;

a shield operably attached to the other side of said platform and positioned for moving along the adjacent surface to position said roller applicator on the surface a predetermined distance from the adjacent surface;

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and a paintbrush attached to said paint application apparatus for applying paint on the surface up to the edge without applying paint to the adjacent surface, wherein said paintbrush is positioned to partially redistribute the paint previously applied by said roller applicator closer to the surface edge.

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